

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
AUGUST 25, 2015**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 25, 2015, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm called the roll:

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| Mayor Terry Seitz | Present |
| Board member Timothy Bell | Absent |
| Board member David Prectel | Present |

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. Two of the three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 11, 2015. Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prectel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 2-0.

CROSS COUNTRY TEAMS CROSS 2ND STREET AND COLLEGE AVENUE

Andy Noblitt asked permission to allow the Jasper and Southridge cross-country teams to cross 2nd Street between Alumni Stadium and Schroeder Complex when the teams run during half-time of the Jasper/Southridge football game on Friday evening August 28, 2015. Noblitt said an officer has been hired to stop traffic when the runners cross 2nd Street.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prectel to approve a temporary closure of 2nd Street at half-time of the Jasper/Southridge

football game on August 28, 2015 so the cross-country teams can cross 2nd Street. Motion carried 2-0.

Noblitt then asked permission for cross-country teams to cross College Avenue near VUJC when they host a cross country meet at 5:30 p.m. on September 29, 2015 and when they have the Wildcat Invitational at 10:30 a.m. on October 10, 2015.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to permit the crossing of College Avenue for cross-country meets on September 29th and on October 10th. Motion carried 2-0.

WALK/RUN FOR THE POOR

Kayla Dooley, representing St. Vincent DePaul Jasper District, asked permission to use Bohnert Park on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to noon for the St. Vincent DePaul Walk/Run for the Poor.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the St. Vincent DePaul Walk/Run for the Poor on September 26, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. to noon. Motion carried 2-0.

BLOCK PARTY

Ben Krapf, representing the east Hochgesang Avenue residents, asked permission to close Hochgesang Avenue, east of Justin Street, on October 10, 2015 from noon to 10:00 p.m. for a block party. The street department will deliver some barricades but Krapf will need to place them on the street before the event and remove them afterwards.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to permit the Hochgesang Avenue neighbors to close Hochgesang Avenue east of Justin Street on October 10, 2015 from noon to 10:00 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

KIDS DAY

Ann Knies, representing the Greater Downtown Jasper Business Association, asked permission to use the sidewalks around the Square on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the 22nd annual Kids Day event. The event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The streets around the Square will remain open.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to adopt this event. Motion carried 2-0.

MODIFICATIONS TO SUBDIVISION STANDARDS

Brad Eckerle with Brosmer Land Surveying said he was representing KAKB LLC who is the developer for Evans Brook Estates II. He requested two modifications to the City's subdivision standards for Evans Brook Estates II.

The first request is to use V-curb. He said V-curb was used in Evans Brook Estates that is located to the east of this subdivision. The second request is to allow a 26 ft pavement width with no curb and 2 ft aggregate shoulders on each side for an overall width of 30 ft. for a portion of Sunshine Drive. This would match Sunshine Drive south of 5th Street.

City Engineer Chad Hurm said according to the department reviews, the street transition width is deemed appropriate and the curb modification is okay.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the proposal for Evans Brook Estates II to match the street width to Sunshine Drive and to use V back curb. Motion carried 2-0.

MILL WALL PROJECT

City Engineer Chad Hurm asked permission to use a different type of stabilization material on the bank when quotes are sought again for the mill wall stabilization project. He suggests using vegetation on the bank from the corner of the wheel wall to the bridge. He said this method will take less use of equipment but they still need to remove the stumps on the bank and stones from the river. Hurm said the stones may be used for decorative purposes above the vegetation.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to issue a third set of quotes for the mill wall stabilization project. Motion carried 2-0.

LABORER RESIGNS

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle asked permission to start the hiring process to replace a laborer who is resigning effective August 28, 2015.

A motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to go ahead with the hiring process to replace a laborer that is leaving. Motion carried 2-0.

STANDBY TRUST

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said part of IDEM's financial assurance for the landfill post-closure requires a standby trust to go with a letter of credit. City Attorney Renee Kabrick said German American Bank will establish the Standby Trust for the City. They will not charge us as long as the trust is not used.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to establish a Standby Trust as required by IDEM. Motion carried 2-0.

REPORTS

Power outage. Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies reported that currently there is an electrical outage in the Grassland Hills area. The

underground cable under Grassland Hills Road has gone bad. That road will be closed today until 4:00 p.m. while the electric department is working in that area.

Labyrinth project. City Engineer Chad Hurm said the contractors are in the process of getting the labyrinth project underway.

Pump testing. Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang said they will do pump testing on some fire trucks at Beaver Lake on September 14, 2015. The boat ramp may be closed briefly.

Code enforcement report. A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to adopt the code enforcement report. Motion carried 2-0.

Police activity report. Mayor Seitz acknowledged receipt of the monthly police activity report. Thereafter, a motion was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Mayor Seitz to adopt the monthly police activity report. Motion carried 2-0.

HIGH WEED COMPLAINTS

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang reported to the board the names of property owners and the locations that have been cited under 5.12.040 weed removal/notice. The names and locations are as follows:

Owner: Doug Leistner
Location: 817 Margaret Drive

Owner: Primvito Renteria Jr
Location: 3590 Marie Court

Owner: The Flavious Paris Rhodes Trust
Location: 621 E 14th St

Owner: Marvin Reynolds and M. Reynolds Sr
Location: 3016 Newton Street

Owner: Ocwen Loan Company
Location: 1180 W Division Road

Owner: G & I Realty LLC
Location: 1208 Jackson Street

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 2-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:33 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 8th day of September, 2015.

David L. Prechtel, Presiding Officer

Attest: _____
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer